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SUBJECT HUMAN RIGHTS CASES FOR SYG WALDHEIM

REF: USUN 03049

1. AS REQUESTED IN REFTEL, EMBASSY HAS SELECTED A FEW WELL-KNOWN CASES WHICH SYG WALDHEIM MAY WISH TO RAISE WITH GOA OFFICIALS. THEY INCLUDE A RECENTLY DISAPPEARED COUPLE, A PROMINENT JOURNALIST, ACQUITTED BUT STILL DETAINED UNDER HOUSE ARREST; A MEDICAL DOCTOR WHO DISAPPEARED LAST YEAR; AND A MAN WHO IS BEING HELD BY THE EXECUTIVE POWER WITHOUT CHARGE AND WHO WISHES TO EXERCISE HIS CONSTITUIONAL RIGHT OF OPTION TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY.

2. WE MADE THIS SELECTION TO ILLUSTRATE THE KINDS OF PROBLEMS WHICH CONTINUE TO REFLECT BADLY ON GOA AND GIVE ARGENTINA A BAD NAME INTERNATIONALLY. THESE PROBLEMS INCLUDE DISAPPEARANCES WHICH CONTINUE TO OCCUR DESPITE THE OFFICIALLY ACKNOWLEDGED DEFEAT OF TERRORISM AND THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE GOVERNMENT IN ENDING ABDUCTIONS AND OTHER LAWLESS EXCESSES; THE INEXPLICABLY CONTINUING DETENTION OF PERSONS
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WHO HAVE BEEN ORDERED RELEASED BY THE COURTS; AND THE ONGOING DETENTION OF PERSONS HELD WITHOUT CHARGE. WE WOULD HOPE THAT WALDHEIM WOULD RAISE THEM IN THE FOREGOING CONTEXT, AS EXAMPLES OF SITUATION INCOMPATIBLE WITH THE OBSERVANCE OF THE RULE OF LAW, INTERNATIONAL TREATY OBLIGATIONS AND POSITIVE RELATIONS IN A WORLD INCREAS-

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INGLY ATTENTIVE TO HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES.

3. DYSZEL, JORGE MARCELO
IDENTITY CARD: 6.832.774
ADDRESS: ALVAREZ JONTE 2250 -- 1A, BUENOS AIRES
AGE: 21 OCCUPATION: STUDENT
SCHWALB DE DYSZEL, MIRTA NELIDA
IDENTITY CARD: 7.129.396
AGE: 20 OCCUPATION: STUDENT
THIS COUPLE, BOTH STUDENTS, WERE DETAINED ON MAY 18, 1978 BY PERSONS CLAIMING TO BE ARGENTINE SECURITY OPERATIVES. THEY HAVE NOT BEEN HEARD FROM SINCE.

4. TIMERMAN, JACOBO
TIMERMAN WAS THE PUBLISHER OF A WELL KNOWN AND RESPECTED NEWSPAPER LA OPINION UNTIL HIS INCOMMUNICADO ARREST AND YEAR LONG DETENTION WITHOUT CHARGE UNDER STATE OF SIEGE PROVISIONS. TIMERMAN WAS CLEARED OF ACCUSATIONS BY A MILITARY COURT IN OCTOBER 1977. HE WAS TRANSFERRED FROM PRISON TO HOUSE ARREST IN APRIL 1978. ON JULY 7, 1978, THE SUPREME COURT DECLARED THAT HIS DETENTION WAS AN UNREASONABLE EXERCISE OF THE GOVERNMENT'S STATE OF SIEGE AUTHORITY, HOWEVER HE CONTINUES UNDER HOUSE ARREST.

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5. MOLDAVSKY, ALDOLFO RUBEN
IDENTITY CARD: 5.231.955
ADDRESS: ARENALES 1560 -- 10 I, BUENOS AIRES
AGE: 31 OCCUPATION: MEDICAL DOCTOR
DR. MOLDAVSKY WAS ARRESTED ON AUGUST 1, 1977 ALONG WITH TWO FRIENDS BY 14 ARMED MEN WHO IDENTIFIED THEMSELVES AS MEMBERS OF THE BUENOS AIRES POLICE. THE THREE WERE MEMBERS OF A POLITICAL DISCUSSION GROUP. SUBSEQUENTLY ONE OF THEM WAS PLACED UNDER EXECUTIVE DETENTION, BUT THE WHEREABOUTS OF DR. MOLDAVSKY AND THE OTHER MAN REMAIN UNKNOWN.

6. MATOSO, HORACION RENE
IDENTIY CARD: 6.454.819
AGE: 28
DETAINED OCTOBER 8, 1976; IS IN LA PLATA PRISON, MATOSO HAS APPLIED FOR THE RIGHT OF OPTION TO LEAVE ARGENTINA AND HAS CERTIFICATES FROM BOTH SPAIN AND ISRAEL.
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